

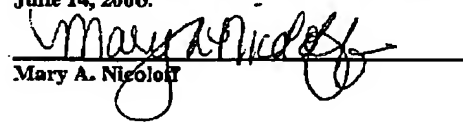
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In re Application of: )  
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For: SYNTHESIS OF SOLUBLE )  
FUNCTIONALIZED LITHIUM )  
INITIATORS )  
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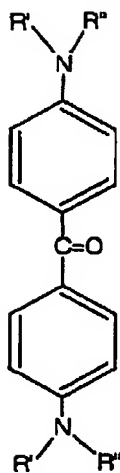
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Dear Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL ELECTION

In response to the communication mailed on May 15, 2006 subjecting the above-identified patent application to a restriction or election requirement, the Applicants filed an election on June 12, 2006. However, the election made did not specify the species of functionalized lithium initiator that the Applicants were electing. Such an election is being made at this time to supplement the election previously filed.

The Applicants hereby affirm their election of Group I which includes claims 1, 4-8, and 19-20, drawn to compounds, classified in class 564, subclass 328. Additionally, the Applicants hereby elect as the species of functionalized lithium initiators those made by the process specified in claim 5. More specifically, the Applicants are electing functionalized lithium initiators made by a process which comprises reacting a dilithium initiator with an alkyl amino aryl compound of the structural formula:



wherein R' and R'' represent methyl groups. Presently pending claims 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 19 and 20 are readable upon the elected species,

Respectfully submitted,

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